

# Memorandum



Date: July 15, 2014

Supplement to  
Agenda Item No. 11A11

To: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

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Subject: Supplemental Information to Agenda Item Regarding Vacant Land Located at 301 NW  
17<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, Florida

The following provides supplemental information regarding vacant land located at 301 NW 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Miami, FL 33136, known as the St. Agnes Project. The property was originally part of the Townpark Gardens public housing development that went through a land disposition with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (U.S. HUD) on January 22, 1998. On October 30, 2001, U.S. HUD released the land from the Declaration of Trust. On November 7, 2001, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approved Resolution No. R-1287-99 to authorize the transfer of ownership and deeded the property over to the County quasi-government department Miami-Dade Empowerment Trust. It was anticipated the property would be developed as affordable single family residential housing by the St. Agnes Rainbow Village Community Development Corporation. Unfortunately, the parcel was never developed and there is no evidence of activity for the period of 2001 through 2008.

On March 18, 2008, the property was deeded back to the Miami-Dade County Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), one of the predecessor departments of Public Housing and Community Development, under the Program Assumption Agreement with Miami-Dade Empowerment Trust through Board Resolution No. R-304-08. In 2010, the County worked with St. Agnes to develop a lease to construct elderly affordable housing on the property. Subsequently, the Housing Trust Group has been selected as the developer and the Internal Services Department has finalized the lease for Board approval.

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Russell Benford, Deputy Mayor